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Campus Climate Project Far from Finished

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ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Though it has not been widely publicized this fall, the Campus Climate Project is still in progress. Participants are revising summaries of last year's work and applying their studies to new projects to improve the college's atmosphere, as well as awaiting the outcome of the proposal for a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

The Campus Climate Project is "a broad-based examination of how welcoming our campus is or is not to those not in the majority," President Elaine Tuttle Hansen said. Professor Sue Houchins, Special Assistant to the President and associate professor of African-American studies, oversees it this year.

Part of the project's strength is that it is a collaborative effort of people representing all areas of campus, said Carmen Purdy of the Affirmative Action Office. "When everyone comes together, that's when you get success," she said. "Communication is 98 percent of it."

Last winter, four working groups composed of students, faculty and staff discussed ways to improve the campus climate. The groups examined Admissions and Financial Aid, communications between different groups and offices, comparisons with other colleges and solutions that could increase awareness and improve the climate.

The Mellon Foundation offers colleges grants of two to three million dollars for projects to transform the institutions. The foundation invited Bates as an "excellent but under-endowed" candidate for application, said President Hansen.

The proposal for the Mellon grant, titled the Benjamin Mays Initiative, is a design for the enhancement of diversity at Bates.

Until the proposal's result comes back, Hansen said, there is a "sense of pause" about the project. Without the grant, the overall goals will remain the same, but the project's timeline will have to be shifted.

Ideas from the project's working groups were directly incorporated into the Mellon proposal. Other actions already taken as a result of the project include hiring Marylyn Scott as Director of Multicultural Recruitment and the Difficult Dialogues talks. Also, orientation this year included "Colorblindness" by Patricia Williams, as the common reading, with talks from the author and President Hansen on diversity.

Hansen said that changes can already be seen on campus. This year, as opposed to last year, she has observed "a climate in which I see a lot of signs that majority students are taking a much greater interest in diversity and are much more aware" of the issues at hand. "It appears to be a much healthier climate this fall," she said.

"Last year was a really stressful year," Houchins commented, referring to the several incidents that were made public, as well as to the less-discussed tension on campus. She

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College Dems File Ethics Complaint Against Walton '08

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EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A complaint against the Maine College Republicans' (MECR) political action committee was filed with the state Ethics Commission by the Maine College Democrats (MECD) on Thursday.

The complaint – that the Republicans' PAC is in violation of state campaign finance law – centers on the role that Nathaniel Walton '08 plays as both chairman of the MECR and field director for the Republican gubernatorial candidate, Chandler Woodcock. Walton is currently on a leave of absence from Bates and is working full-time for the Woodcock campaign.

Woodcock is a Maine Clean Election Act candidate, meaning that his campaign is funded entirely by the state and he is prohibited from accepting outside contributions.

The law at the center of the complaint states that: "Any expenditure made by any person in cooperation...

[with] a candidate, a candidate's political committee or their agents is considered to be a contribution to that candidate."

The Democrats contend that it is impossible for the expenditures of the PAC, headed by Walton, not to have been made in cooperation with the campaign, the activities of which Walton, a paid staff member, is presumably aware.

Oliver Radwan, president of the MECD, said Walton's dual positions represent a clear conflict of interest.

"Unless Nate Walton is able to firewall his own mind, keeping the knowledge of the College Republican's activities separate from his duties as a Woodcock staffer, there is a serious problem here," Radwan said in a press release detailing the ethics complaint.

According to a MECR press release sent to The Student on the eve of publication, "the Maine Ethics Commission dismissed [the Democrats'] complaint as so frivolous as to be unworthy of any investigation." Despite repeated calls

to the homes of members of the Ethics Commission and other sources, The Student was unable to confirm such a decision. The Student also contacted Radwan after receiving the Republicans' press release and Radwan, the signatory on the ethics complaint, said he had not been notified of such a decision.

The Democrats also cited the \$25,000 the MECR raised this summer as an example of their ethical complaint. Walton announced in a MECR press release that the \$25,000, to be used to pay for five full-time field representatives, had been raised on Aug. 9, two days after the Woodcock campaign announced hiring him as their field director.

According to the release, the field representatives were tasked with recruiting 2,500 new college Republicans thereby, "providing the grassroots momentum necessary for Republicans to seize the Blaine House [the governor's residence] and win Republican majorities."

According to Martha Demeritt, Reg-

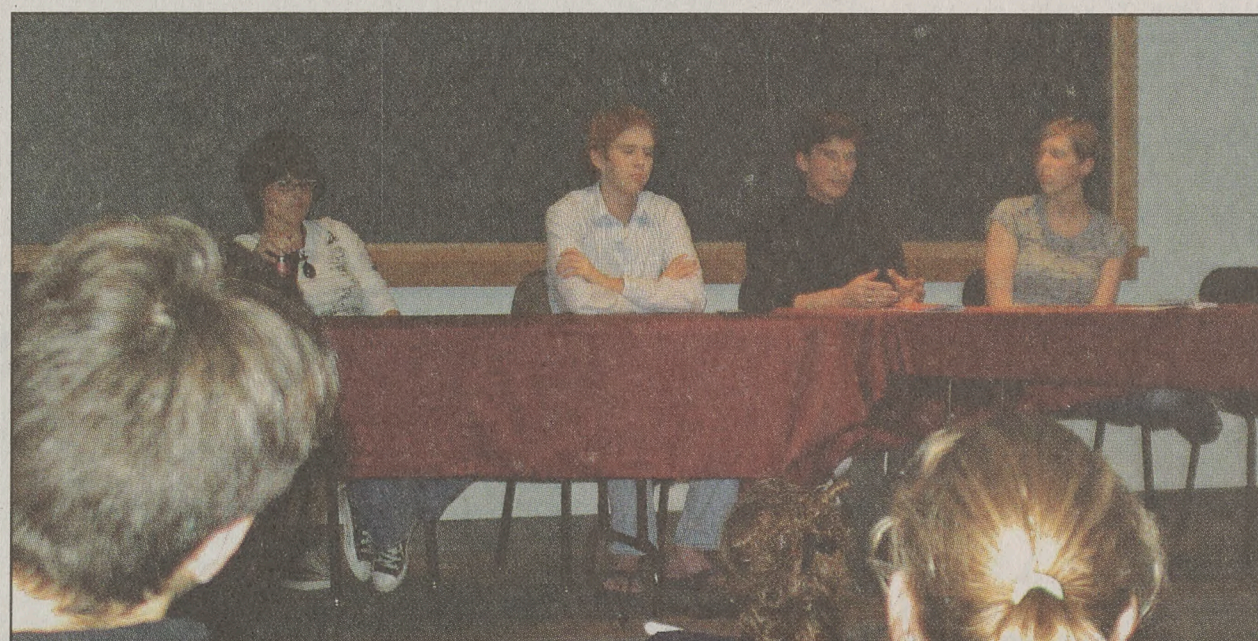
istrar for PACs, Lobbyists and Party Committees for the commission, Walton had responded late Monday to the questions asked of him and the information will be sent on to the executive director of the commission.

Should the executive director decide that the ethical complaint is worthy of review, the commission will consider the proposed violation at their regular meeting next Tuesday, Oct. 31, Demeritt said.

The Ethics Commission is composed of five members who are appointed for three-year terms by the Governor and legislative leaders. Two commission members are Democrats, two are Republicans and one is unenrolled.

If found guilty of ethical violations, the Republicans' PAC and the Woodcock campaign can each be fined up to \$5,000. Should the commission penalize the Republicans, they will have an opportunity to appeal it before a superior court.

Students Discuss Stages of Coming Out



AMELIA LARSEN/ THE BATES STUDENT

Four students share their personal experiences with being gay, lesbian, bisexual and heterosexual in Olin on Oct. 11.

SAM NAGOURNEY
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

In celebration of Coming Out Day, OUTfront sponsored a panel of four students to discuss their different coming out stories. The panel covered a wide range of perspectives and stages of the coming out process, revealing that for many, coming out is neither an epiphany nor a period, but a life-long experience with different stages.

Scott Pierce '08 discussed the very beginning of his coming out, whereas Maggie Lloyd '09 focused on the importance of identifying oneself with a group and the lessons to be learned even at the later stages of coming out. Jesse Ricker '07 shared the difficulty of coming out as a bi-sexual and the constant internal debate over whether or not one is gay enough. Patrick Corrigan '07 offered the account of a heterosexual who is often mistaken as gay, noting the contrast between tolerating homosexuality and accepting it on the face-to-face level.

Pierce shared the story of his coming out, starting with a trip to the Health Center after his first hook up with another male to see whether there was something wrong with him. His father was very supportive of him,

but his mother's reaction was not quite as receptive. Returning to Bates after a fierce fight with his mother, Pierce decided, "If everyone's reaction is going to be negative, I should probably just avoid this entirely." From freshman year to first semester of his sophomore year, Pierce went through "a really long period where I was really uncomfortable with stuff and figuring out stuff."

Last year at a similar event, Lloyd shared her story of a mid-western coming out with no gay community and frequent verbal violence. Lloyd found that after her initial acceptance of being gay, she started to find liking girls "weird or silly." She didn't want to stop liking women but found an "internal homophobia light."

Lloyd stressed the importance of becoming part of a group. After generally rejecting the gay community at Bates during her freshman year, Lloyd realized that she wanted other lesbians or gay men to recognize that she was gay, too. "I needed that, and of course I never got it from anyone... I needed people to look at me and make that assumption," Lloyd said.

Talking about the surprise of a renewed coming out, Lloyd said, "I thought I was done. I was so over coming out, but at some point every-

one needs to identify with someone, and that's not just for sexuality... You gotta have a team... Coming out never really ends - whether you're straight or gay... for now, [the] insipient stages of my coming out, I feel, are done, and I don't see it as weird for me anymore, and I don't see it as something that's silly or goofy about me, but just is."

Ricker shared her experiences with coming out as a bi-sexual and her vulnerability not only to straight people but gays as well. Ricker never really had an "I'm gay" epiphany until she came out to her mother. Confused and questioning, Ricker "wanted something to happen...since so many stories [of people's coming out] were 'I knew since I was born' or 'I knew since I found this person attractive,' [it was hard] because I didn't have that sense of knowing."

Weighing different factors in her life, Ricker debated her sexuality. To her, the fact that she did not know whether she was gay or not seemed like the biggest piece of evidence against it, but on the other hand "the fact that I was struggling so much was the biggest [factor] pointing to the 'yes, you're queer' category."

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Three Building Projects Now Underway

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As of this month, the three major campus constructions projects are now underway. Construction on the new residential village, going up next to Rand, began this summer. Work on the other two projects—the new dining commons and the Bates Walk, was started in early October.

"The new projects should be only as disruptive as construction currently taking place next to Rand Hall," said Paul Farnsworth, the Physical Plant's project manager. The only difference is the location of the construction of the new dining commons—one more central to campus, in close proximity to Roger Williams Hall. Additionally, there will be a loss of on-campus parking, though work has already begun on a replacement lot behind Merrill Gymnasium.

In two information sessions held Oct. 10 and 11, President Hansen and Physical Plant Director Bob Bremm presented detailed information about the architectural and construction plans for the projects.

The new residential village will consist of three buildings and will be home to 150 students. The two end buildings, for the most part, will be the "residential" area of the village. The center building will house a glass lounge on the main floor and an upper village lounge on the second. The dorms will be furnished with full kitchens, including working stoves. The end buildings will have individual floors operating as units, with groups of singles and doubles, common living areas, study nooks and central bathrooms.

The buildings will also be home to a number of large common spaces. The top floor of the village will be organized differently: the center and connecting building will serve as units of singles, home to seniors living in a communal setting, possibly with a theme. This residential village is scheduled to be completed within the next year.

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Hansen Appears on "Today" Show

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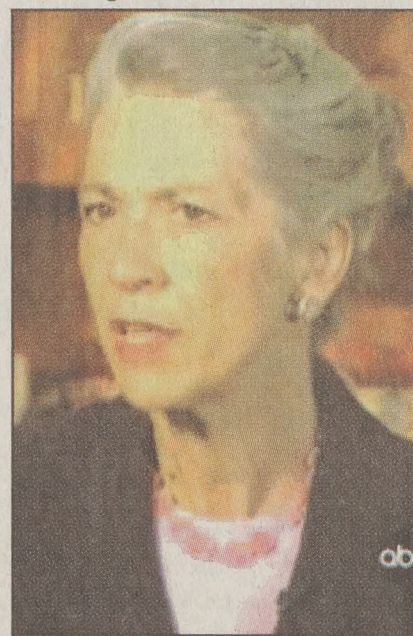
President Hansen served as one of four in a discussion panel composed primarily of college admission representatives in the final segment of NBC's "Today" show series titled "Getting into College Today." Airing live last Friday, Oct. 20, the other institutions represented were Princeton University, Washington University in St. Louis and UCLA.

"Today" host Meredith Vieira began the first portion of the discussion by directing specific questions to each university. Bates represented the small, liberal arts college, emphasizing the interview as one of the most important components of the admissions process. Vieira proceeded to ask Hansen about Bates' optional SAT score, to which Hansen replied that the admissions board reads applications "holistically." If the SAT score does not match the student's academic status, then "we can do without it," Hansen said.

The second portion of the discussion panel answered questions from viewers. These questions included topics such as the importance of the academic rigor of a student's high school, the most academically significant year of high school, AP classes versus honors classes and the transition from a community college to a four year, full time collegiate institution. President Hansen addressed two of the questions more in depth: in response to the AP versus honors classes, President Hansen discussed the range of course programs offered across high schools and said that ultimately, "We're looking for students who are challenging [themselves]." In President Hansen's opinion, all four years are important "but we're looking for that momentum and trajectory," in which a student builds on his or her academic performance.

The four colleges were chosen to represent the range of schools that stretch across the academic spectrum. In addition to Bates, Princeton represented the larger Ivy League institution,

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Courtesy ABC NETWORK

President Hansen made multiple TV appearances this month, discussing Bates' SAT and interview policies.

Cheating on Stacey



TOM FLANAGAN
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EDITOR

I had been tearing myself apart with the guilt for the last few weeks at school before October break. You see, for the last 10 years I've been involved in an exclusive relationship in my hometown. Her name is Stacey, and ever since we first met we've had an incredible chemistry. We don't see one another often, only every three to four weeks or so, depending on the time of year, but that doesn't reflect the seriousness of our commitment to one another. That's what has made these last weeks so unbearable, knowing how much it would hurt her to know about my transgression up in Maine.

My friends have tried to console me, saying that it could happen to anyone and that it was only a one-time thing. But for me, those excuses just don't hold up. The most mortifying part to me, above everything else, is that I don't even know the woman's name. After all these years with Stacey, all the good times at her place, sitting like a king up in that big chair, all the compliments I've received thanks to her – I betrayed her just because someone else was closer and the timing was right. It took three years, but I finally caved. I cheated on my hometown barber.

When I went to see Stacey over October break, as I do during every school vacation, I was nervous. I was trying to behave naturally, but as I sat in the waiting area I couldn't stop my hands from trembling. I kept glancing into the window behind me, trying to see how bad the back of my neck looked. Normally when I come in after

six weeks of school I have the "Teen Wolf" look going, and as I felt around the base of my hair, it felt too clean. Afraid that she'd see right through my nervous ticks, I picked up a magazine to appear more relaxed. The magazine selection was a problem, though, largely because of my commitment to Stacey. A few years back, when she left the very manly, cigar smoke saturated and sports memorabilia decorated "Right Cut," I followed her to her new place of business, "Christina's Salon." So, as I attempted to hide behind a magazine, my options were "People," "Cosmo" or a bunch of fashion magazines with titles that Microsoft Word would put a red squiggle underneath. Needless to say, my attempts to look "cool" were a disaster, and at one point I caught eyes with the female receptionist who was looking at me with a combination of amusement, confusion and pity.

When I finally stepped up and hopped in the chair, I felt like I was under the relentless glare of a police interrogation room lamp. I told her how my parents were and how school was going while she strapped the giant bib on me and prepared the tools of her trade. All this time I was half holding my breath, waiting for her to take a good look at my hair. It was only three weeks long, not six. There was no way she wouldn't notice, since I usually show up looking like Greg Brady this time of year. Sure enough, the time finally came when she ran a hand through my hair a bit too easily. She stopped, observing out loud how thin it felt. I couldn't bear it anymore, so I just blurted out the truth.

"I got my haircut at school! It was a lady! At a place called Campus Cutters! She actually did a really nice job, es-

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Siblings at Bates

ALLIE GOLDSTEIN
FORUM LAYOUT EDITOR

Austrian psychologist Alfred Adler was one of the first to suggest that sibling interactions in youth deeply influence adult personality. Focusing on birth order, Adler's theory called first-borns "achievers," middle children "socially sensitive" and third-borns "adept" and "spoiled." Though oversimplified, the labels are at least partially accurate. Due to family dynamics, older siblings often take on the role of leader, middle siblings serve as negotiators and younger siblings fight for attention with rebellion or humor. It is no coincidence that almost all American presidents were the first-born in their families and that many comedians – Drew Carey, Eddie Murphy, Rosie O'Donnell – were the babies (pbskids.org)

However, Adler's theory is incomplete in that it examines siblings only in family settings in which the presence of parents is assumed. This may have been appropriate for the 1940s when Adler was writing, but today many sib-

lings are living together apart from their parents in a new kind of family setting: college.

There are many sibling pairs currently enrolled in Bates and, according to H. Jay Burns of Bates Magazine, "applicants' family relationships to Bates are considered" in the admissions process. Some institutions go beyond mere "consideration" to monetarily encouraging families to send younger children to the same college as their older sibling. George Washington University, for instance, offers a Family Grant program in which siblings of currently enrolled students get half-price on tuition.

Even without the financial incentive, brothers and sisters of students often end up following their older siblings to Lewiston. In many families, sending two children to the same college is entirely unplanned. As first-year Cora Chisholm, whose older sister Amanda is currently spending a semester abroad in Belize, put it, "I never thought I would end up here." Sophomore Rachel Greenwood was reluctant about even putting Bates

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Beauracracy Complicates Doctor-Patient Relationship

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to Allie Goldstein's piece concerning premed students and the current state of medical practice. I would like to start by saying that I agree with Allie's point that the doctor-patient relationship is essential to successful medical practice and that recently this bond has been eroding. However, where we disagree is in our attribution of blame.

In Allie's article, she came off as suggesting that Western doctors primarily arm themselves with the scalpel and the prescription pad before

facing off with ailing patients. I believe this is a very narrow-minded view of what medicine is. As suggested by David A. Shore (a representative of the Harvard School of Public Health and executive director of the Center for Continuing Professional Education) recently patients have become unresponsive to the advice of their doctors. Shore writes: "Patients insist on antibiotics for viral infections, and ignore advice to exercise more and eat less. They try unproven alternative medicines and withhold vital information about their medical history or behavior. And they decline participation in clinical trials." This

is not to say that patients should be blamed, but I believe it would be naive to suggest that doctors are simply pushing pills to patients.

So where does the blame lie for this lack of communication? In the fall of 2004, the Harvard School of Public Health made the case that the fall of the doctor-patient relationship is a function of bureaucracies like Medicare and Medicaid. Medicare provides the greatest hassle, lowest fees and greatest risk for practicing doctors. Inherent in Medicare is a system of investigation that creates

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Democrats Will Keep Maine Moving Forward

To the Editor:

Politics are heating up as the elections come to a head. Nationally, 2006 carries the weight of a potential power-shift in the House and possibly Senate – a shift that would restore much needed balance to an out-of-control Executive. In the State of Maine, voters face a real choice between continued progress for all versus an ideology of "every man for himself."

The war in Iraq is not a state campaign issue directly. After all, the Governor (unfortunately) does not conduct foreign policy. But when Baldacci was in the House as a Maine Representative, he had the courage of his convictions in 2002 to take what was then an unpopular position against the war. The

Republican challenger Chan Woodcock declared at the time that he was "offended" that anyone might question Bush's judgment. After years of manipulative and self-serving predictions – ranging from Weapons of Mass Destruction (more like Weapons of Mass Delusion) to "Mission Accomplished," massive government mismanagement and thousands of American soldiers dead (and hundreds of thousands of Iraqi dead) it is clear whose judgment is better. Republican Woodcock's "loyalty without thinking" attitude is dangerous and calls into question his fitness to lead the state.

In an attempt to put Maine Democrats on the defensive, right-wing critics have cited Maine's supposedly poor economy as a failure of political effec-

tiveness. The flaw in this particular assessment lies in its failure to consider the impact of free trade on Maine. Free trade decisions are made at the federal level and result in an unequal geographic distribution of winners and losers. Maine has been hit hard by free trade policies – policies that state Democrats had no role in creating.

Democrats are realistic. We see work that needs to be done and have implemented progressive steps toward growing our economy and improving Mainers' lives. The governor's Dirigo Healthcare Initiative is a brilliant example of this. In the last two years alone, the plan has saved Mainers \$44 million that we have been able to reinvest in

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Pre-med Article Falsely Stereotyped

To the Editor:

Many of us in the science community have read Allie's article "Pre-med Students Need to Envision a Live Beyond Lab," and were very hurt by its implications. We understand what Allie's general point is – that holistic medicine should not be ignored, and it is imperative that doctors have an empathetic attitude when dealing with their patients.

However, in trying to get her point across, she unwittingly attacked the science and medical community at Bates. The point of a liberal arts education is to gain a better sense of respect for people in all academic disciplines. To make gross, inaccurate generalizations about a group of Batesians simply because of their field of study is offensive and inappropriate. Allie also implies that non-pre-med students share her opinion, which is both false and unfair.

The article used science students and pre-med students interchangeably stating the science community is "especially hypnotized by the allure of two magical letters: M and D." Not all

science students are pre-med, many of us want to be science educators or researchers. Furthermore, do not underestimate the reasons why some of us are actually science majors and pre-med. We would not work so hard if we did not care about helping people or making a difference, not just in the U.S., but around the world.

The article assumed the narrow-mindedness of both science and pre-med students, barely recognizing that they are involved in many other areas of study including sociology, Spanish, religion, German literature, philosophy, math, dance, Russian, Francophone study, music and psychology and are invaluable members of extracurricular activities (EMA, Bates Buddies, the Women's Resource Center, countless sports teams, the Filmboard, the Costume Shop, the Help Desk and the Ronji, just to name a few).

We recognize the importance of respecting differences among various fields of study and we hope that this opinion is shared by the Bates community as a whole.

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Nicholas Bauer '08, Liz Brady '07, Caroline Bullock '07, Alli Caine '07, Lily Conover '07, Anita Deshpande '07, Akiko Doi '07, Drew Drabek '08, Nihal Eisa '07, Keith Egan '07, Karla Erickson '08, Kay Gonsalves '07, Catie Gregg '07, Samantha Haaland '07, Caitlin Henderson '07, Mirka Hlavacova '07, Brooke Miller '07, Jung Min Lee '08, Shawna-Kaye Lester '08, Jenn Linton '08, Ann Lovely '07, Kate Luddy '07, Anna Meader '09, Kevin O'Connor '08, Courtney O'Farrell '07, Pritesh Patel '07, Lauren Philbrook '07, Alissa Praggastis '07, Amy Radke '07, Donna Ann Rampersad '08, Zach Risler '08, Katy Rodden '07, Meagan Ryan '07, Joe Shulan '07, Chris Theile '07, Aubrey Van Kirk '07, Gabrielle Voeller '07, Alicia Voukides '07, Leyi Wang '07, Madeline Weber '08, Becca White '07, Weili Zhang '07

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TABOR Would Control Government Spending

To the Editor:

Nice job on Volume 136, No. 4. A couple of things, however, left me scratching my head. Do the several campus groups that oppose TABOR like the idea that governments continue to spend more each year, especially since what's being spent at this ever increasing pace is now borrowed and requires substantial debt service? Isn't it they and their children who will have to pay this back? Interestingly, the speaker from Colorado groaned that government spending under TABOR shrinks by two

to three percent every year. What did he think was going to happen when he supported it in 1992? His concern that government will ultimately shrink to nothing if reduced two or three percent per year seems unfounded since the voters in Colorado have suspended it for five years, giving the politicians an opportunity to show whether they learned anything from having the spigot turned off for a while. TABOR, here in Maine, like in Colorado, is a wake up call for politicians and, I might add, for those voters who don't have enough common sense to realize government

will spend every dime in every pocket unless at least 50 percent of us say "whoa." We're smart enough to turn the spigot back on should the situation warrant it down the road.

And, oh yes, how does Sam Nagourney see Pat LaMarche holding national office if only half the people who agree with her actually vote for her? I suppose one could make the case that the governorship is a national office but we might want to see how she does as governor of Maine first.

Jim Tierney, Auburn

Some Doctors Practice Holistic Medicine

To the Editor:

You are telling me that somehow as a premed student I lack the perspective that an English major possesses? On the contrary, I think that my life is designed around a well thought out perspective. Bates students are fortunate in that we have a multitude of opportunities afforded to us during our time here, so don't think that all of you "non premeds" are the only ones taking advantage of this. I may be a biological-chemistry major, but I have also been active in student government, taken plenty of classes outside of the realm of Dana and Carnegie, and managed to enjoy plenty of evenings outside of the basement of Ladd. Surprise! Medical schools want to see well-rounded people coming into their institutions, just like any other graduate program. Also, you are stereotyping all premeds as science majors, but plenty of us are Art and Visual Culture majors taking the courses required to get into

medical school. I could easily begin to stereotype the humanities majors on campus...those people who play out on the quad all day because they don't have 'real' class. Obviously, this is a terrible stereotype to make, but it does bring to light your brutal generalization of a new era: "Grey's Anatomy" doctors in cute, blue scrubs. Clearly, it's about the sex.

You also say that "M.D." western medicine is not focusing on the whole person, but apparently you have never heard of a D.O.: Doctor of Osteopathic. Check out the American Osteopathic Association's website, www.osteopathic.org, and you'll find that they put "strong emphasis on the inter-relationship of the body's nerves, muscles, bones and organs, doctors of osteopathic medicine, or D.O.s apply the philosophy of treating the whole person to the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of illness, disease and injury." Obviously, it is not all about scalpels and second opin-

ions; it's about viewing the person as a whole. I know an oncologist (cancer doc) who not only treats her patients "by the med school books," but also recommends herbal supplements, yoga and massage therapy to help her patients focus on themselves during what I can only imagine is a scary time. You may not realize, but doctors are taking more and more cues from holistic medicine. It is unfortunate that you had to deal with people in the medical field that lack this perspective. My advice to you is, 1) don't knock the premeds because we'll most likely be the people who are working and sacrificing to help you, and 2) not all docs are sterile, poke n' prod squares who can suture with their eyes closed. A lot of them are strong, over-worked professionals who care deeply about their happiness and health.

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Healthcare Professionals Show Compassion

To the Editor:

After reading the article in the last issue of the Bates Student titled "Pre-Med Students Need to Envision a Life beyond Lab," I was greatly offended as not only a supporter of the science programs at Bates but as the son of a professional healthcare worker. I greatly admire and respect all those who have chosen to pursue science, whether they attend medical school or not. Those students and professors are invaluable not only to the survival, but also to the progression of the human race and should be commended, not mocked.

The article states, "although we are all guilty of burrowing ourselves into exclusive academic nooks, the science community at Bates seems to be especially hypnotized by the allure of two magical letters: M and D." Such a blatant stereotyping not only lacks truth but entirely contradicts the ideals Bates has held in such high regard for the past century and a half. A similar stereotype could be applied to any department at the college. For example, one could

say "the education department at Bates seems to be especially hypnotized by the allure of having summers off and giving arduous assignments to students during long weekends." As a student of the education department, I would feel not only marginalized but greatly offended by such a statement.

In the third paragraph, the author states, "what the stereotypical pre-med student seems to lack is perspective." Twenty-eight years ago my mother entered the healthcare field as a physical therapist and to this day holds compassion for patients as her highest virtue and purpose. She is always willing to spend an extra five or ten minutes even if it means arriving home an hour or two late. For her, patients are not just names on a medical record, they are people in need of help.

The article also lacked an understanding of modern health and science fields. More and more healthcare workers as well as scientists are at the mercy of insurance companies, funding requirements and capitalism in general. The demands of big business have made

it less financially plausible if not impossible to pursue humanitarian causes in either field. Insurance companies dictate what the proper course of treatment is without even consulting those directly working with the patient. Science faces similar challenges. Funding and energy is diverted to such causes as erectile dysfunction and plastic surgery techniques instead of those working to find a cure for AIDS or cancer. I commend those entering either field, for our modern capitalist economy has created insurmountable conditions for those looking to better human life.

As a history major I stand side-by-side with my peers in the science department. I admire the dedication and passion they possess for their studies and feel they should be looked upon as role models to the student body. For the past 22 years, I have seen the difference my mother has made in the lives of her patients and have yet to meet a science major who does not possess the same compassion, pre-med or not.

Brent S. Bette '07

Medicare, Medicaid Affect Medical Practice

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an atmosphere of suspicion and paranoia that has a direct influence on the doctor-patient relationship by generating a great deal of mutual mistrust. Although not everyone in the United States is covered under Medicare, this mistrust has been responsible for the creation of new regulations that are felt by all. Examples include: "the consumer health movement, patient's bill of rights, the health information privacy act, hospital rankings, concierge medicine and the overuse of services ('defensive medicine')." (Harvard School of Public Health, Fall 2004) and they all have resulted in greater obstacles for the doctor-patient relationship to overcome.

It is also important to understand that Medicare goes beyond affecting how doctors practice medicine, but it also stakes claim in how doctors are taught to practice medicine. In Allie's article, she claims that medical school students are too concerned with "hard science" and hence, are worse off as physicians because they lack the humanitarian aspects of primary care.

Unfortunately, this is just not the case. Now in medical schools, students are taught extensively how to handle the bureaucracies of Medicare and others and are not focusing enough on "hard science" and patient-relation classes. In the opinion of the Harvard School of Public Health, it is this that has caused the noticeable decline in the quality of physicians.

Finally, to Allie's point of how doctors neglect Eastern holistic medical treatments versus traditional Western treatments. I again believe Allie is victim of a rather myopic view of doctors and their practice. Like Allie, I too have a loved one who has spent time in the hospital. My older sister is afflicted by what is now considered to be an intractable form of epilepsy. In case you do not know, that means that she is now considered "untreatable" for convulsions that render her unconscious when her brain is overcome by a surplus of electrical discharge. It is a disease that she has dealt with her whole life, and she has experienced a variety of treatments (all suggested by her primary care physician). Admittedly, drugs were the most common treatments, but her physician did sug-

gest acupuncture, acupressure and a special diet called the Ketogenic diet (all of which failed and cost quite a bit, too). Unfortunately a great majority of these "holistic" treatments are not covered under most insurance policies, so one can understand why doctors do not always prescribe such treatments to patients when they can cost several thousand dollars straight out of their pocket. Regardless of this, when my parents asked our doctor to consider alternative treatment, he was quite open to giving us information.

I believe that Allie's argument is in dire need of revision. Please note I didn't address the inflammatory stereotype of pre-med students mostly because it'd be a waste of space to speak of what is obvious. Allie's attribution of blame is a function of a insular tendency to blame those on the surface of the issue. Medical colleges work toward putting out doctors who are well-rounded in their practice of medicine – in no way is the education limited to just science. This is a point that perhaps is lost in stereotypes, but I believe it is important to emphasize.

Neil Marya '07

"It's Complicated" with My Hometown Barber

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pecially with that little tuft on the side in the front that we always have a hard time with, yeah, right here, you know what I'm talking about – but she means nothing to me!"

Stacey took a step back, unfortunately still clutching her thinning shears. With my arms pinned beneath the giant bib, I began to wonder if Stacey was a violently jealous barber. "You cheated on me!" She exclaimed, more in disbelief than rage.

"I'm sorry Stacey, I just can't do this anymore! Six weeks away at a time – the distance is killing me! My hair just gets so thick!" I exhaled, waiting for ei-

ther a response or eight inches of steel in my jugular.

Finally, she chose to break the silence, not my skin. "Well, I guess it's ok just this once," she said with a laugh, and we went about the haircut as usual. If anything it made things much easier on her, since after our usual six-week separation she needs to hack through an extremely thick Gentile-fro. With less to work with, it made my stay quicker than usual, moving the next customer out of the waiting area that much faster. As a matter of fact, I think me cheating on Stacey was the best thing that's happened to either of us in this 10-year relationship. I no longer spend the last week at Bates before breaks dodging

Cory Matthews jokes, and she no longer spends an extra ten minutes at the end of my haircut removing the dark brown shag carpet that has assembled beneath her chair.

I feel comfortable asserting that Stacey and I are officially in an "open relationship." Of course she'll always be my number one, but if I need to be away for six weeks at a time I need to have a girl on the side, too. It's something we'll both just have to learn to live with. Things will start to get really interesting in February when I leave for four months in South Africa. By the time I graduate, my various barbers and I will probably end up on Jerry Springer.

Bates Siblings Form a Unique Bond

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on her college list because of her older sister. She changed her mind after spending an overnight and "liked the people so much I applied ED1."

Since colleges attract applicants as much through word of mouth as they do through brochures, it makes sense that the siblings of Bates students might become interested in applying simply by hearing about the Puddle Jump or brunch at Nezinscot Farm. Still, it seems as if younger siblings' curiosity about Bates is more than just a matter of exposure. As a liberal arts college, Bates attracts students that share common values but have varied talents. In discussing her younger sister's decision to come to Bates, senior Liz Greenwood stated that Bates "has definitely been a good fit for both of us, in different ways." Perhaps siblings are attracted to Bates in part because the college promotes what they were taught as "family values." The atmosphere of hard work, social conscience and inclusiveness at Bates is likely appealing to students who came from families that emphasized these qualities.

Yet whatever parental influences contribute to children choosing Bates, once at college, siblings are on their own. In addition to the freedom of living without the restraints of a curfew or reminders to do laundry, brothers and sisters at Bates have the opportunity to build a sibling relationship entirely independent of their parents.

According to responses from an online survey, this relationship at first takes shape as Alfred Adler might have

predicted: with the older sibling leading and the younger sibling shadowing. Falling into these typical roles makes sense initially. Especially as an incoming student, having someone to talk to that has known you intimately for your entire life can be extremely comforting. As first-year Catherine Wilson said of her older brother Michael, "It's nice having a common ground when so much else has been so new to me." Aside from moral support, older siblings can be especially useful in providing insider information on which professors to take classes with, where to find tortillas in Commons and how to open those cryptic mailboxes.

At the same time, though, the role of the older sibling as a campus tour guide is a fairly limited one. Sophomore Rachel Greenwood, who remembers feeling preceded by her sister Liz in high school, stated that, "Here I can be completely independent." Although small in population, Bates is big enough in the variety of courses and activities offered that siblings could plausibly spend years here without often crossing paths. While older siblings leave heavy footprints in high school, college provides a certain degree of anonymity in which younger siblings can enter a classroom without worrying about fulfilling a reputation.

As a result, many siblings at Bates have found a way to coexist on the same campus without feeling claustrophobic. Most of those that responded to the survey said that their relationship with their sibling had strengthened since college and that they choose to spend time with their brother or sister

while at Bates. Rachel and Liz Greenwood, for instance, both play field hockey and spend a few nights a week sitting and studying in the library as what Rachel calls a "bonding thing." Catherine Wilson stated that, after living apart from her sibling through boarding school and three years of college, she is constantly learning new things about her brother Michael now that they are both at Bates. "We're talking about personal issues that we realize we both deal with in very similar ways," she said. "I don't think we would've discovered our commonalities without this opportunity to be together."

Having a sibling at Bates seems to provide a healthy dose of "home away from home" without becoming overbearing. Though sibling pairs at Bates may have to work slightly harder at establishing separate identities, I imagine that this struggle is eventually very rewarding. While psychologists mark the beginning of maturity as a break with the parental figure, people oscillate to and from their families throughout their entire lives. The measure of a well-adjusted person is one that can incorporate the views of their families into an independent sense of self. Siblings at Bates are simply forced to make this adjustment more quickly; they are required to find a way to live together, yet apart.

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The age of a Chinese man who placed an ad in the newspaper looking for a wife. As the ad stated, he demanded that his wife be younger than 50 years old, have a medical background and enjoy reading literature. He was reported as saying that everyone ought to have a goal and his goal was to find a young wife.

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The length, in pages, of the resume that a Yale senior sent to an investment bank. Attached to the resume was a video which contains clips of the student bench-pressing 500 pounds and serving a tennis ball at the speed of 140 miles an hour. The resume and the video have been mocked in the New York Times, MSNBC and other popular media sources.

The percentage of children in the UK who cannot find the country on the map. National Geographic conducted a poll in the UK of a thousand teenagers. The poll also found that more than a third of the children could not find the US on a world map.

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The number of days until the London premiere of Sacha Baron Cohen's movie, "Borat" in which he portrays Kazakhstan as a country of misogynists, racists and anti-Semites who get drunk on fermented horse urine. The government of Kazakhstan is dealing with the bad publicity by sending their own comedian to the premiere where he will hand out free horse meat sausages.

Source: ananova.com

Baldacci Knows Maine

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expanding healthcare coverage. The plan works well for Maine's small business owners too, allowing them to provide low-cost health benefits for their employees. Other components of Dirigo have included voluntary cost-controls for hospitals and efforts to spread medical best practices. Successes like Dirigo represent the practical, proactive approach that democrats like Governor Baldacci are using to continuously make Maine a better place to work and live.

When they're not railing against evolution or gay rights, far right-wingers like Chan Woodcock's have nothing but criticism for the progress that Maine has made. Any plans they offer are based on the doctrine of rugged individualism, of "every man for himself." Their criticism is misleading in form (Jon Browner's deceptive numbers last week did not take into account the lower cost of living in Maine and the fact that many properties in Maine actually serve

as second homes), and wrong with respect to substance. Their criticism of Democrats' policy is masking for their ultimate agenda: reducing taxes for the rich at the expense of working Mainers.

Democrats understand what people care about. Well-paying jobs. Health care. Education. Equal rights for all. Sound fiscal policy. Safeguarding Maine's environment.

Vote for Democrats this November: Bates' own State Sen. Peggy Rotundo; State Rep. Margaret Craven or Prof. Emeritus Dick Wagner, if you live in his district; US Rep. Mike Michaud; Jean Hay Bright; and Governor John Baldacci all need your support. (And while you're at it, vote against Question 1, TABOR.)

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Fionna Sherwin-Murray '09
Jason Buxbaum '08

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Commons, Dorm, Walk in Progress



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President Hansen and Trustee Michael Bonney '80, P '09 ceremoniously break ground for the new Commons Oct. 7.

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Another major project taking place on the campus is the construction of a new dining hall. Preliminary work began two weeks ago with the installation of a fence around the area next to Roger Williams Hall. The new dining commons will feature seating for almost twice as many students as the current dining hall.

The main dining room is designed to feel like the current Commons, with an emphasis on more natural light and organization. Food stations will no longer divide seating areas and all cooking will take place in a separate area. The new Commons will boast many improvements—a more efficient dish return, an additional 350 seats in the main room and many more windows. Upstairs from the main dining room will be 'flex spaces,' which will open during Commons' busy hours and provide additional seating.

A late-night emporium will be in place within the new Commons, but the Den will also remain open and functioning in Chase Hall.

The final undertaking this year is

the Bates Walk, which will run from College St. through Andrews Road and eventually connect to the new dining facility. According to an announce e-mail from Bremm, this will require an excavation of every inch of the existing road. Construction on the Bates Walk is to allow for underground work on steam lines, electrical lines, fire alarms and water and drainage lines.

The Bates Walk will also be extended to connect the new dining commons with the new residential facility. It will consist of two asphalt and granite pathways side by side. The carefully planned landscaping will include a population of birch trees lining the walk.

The construction is a large undertaking for Bates, but during the information session President Hansen assured listeners that these projects are not an indication of Bates joining the "facilities arms race" taking place across so many college campuses. Rather, she said, these projects will provide Bates with facilities that are both practical in serving the growing student population and beautiful, long lasting additions to the campus.

Project Awaits Grant to Reach Goals

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agreed that she has seen more students from majority groups interested in improving diversity this year.

The attention paid to last year's negative incidents had positive responses on campus, said President Hansen. "You don't want those things to happen, ever," she said, "but the silver lining is that it raised awareness in important ways."

The Campus Climate Project is intended to benefit the entire college. "I wouldn't be focusing on this if I didn't think that it was going to be the best thing for all of Bates," Hansen said, explaining that students of all backgrounds learn more when challenged by different perspectives.

Houchins hopes that a more mixed population will alleviate some tension, but she notes that diversity is important not just because of climate. "A multicultural population adds to the educational and intellectual atmosphere" of a college, she said.

By 2030, Hansen said, an estimated 40 percent of the United States' population will be minorities. She hopes to

make Bates reflect those changing demographics. "The world is changing, and we really need to make sure that Bates is changing along with it," she said.

Houchins says that she has no quantifiable goals for diversity, explaining that the achievement of social equity or a diverse community is not about numbers.

"As long as Bates is in some way reflective of the larger community in which it lives, the issues of inequality are not going to be solved. I can't promise that there will be a sunny climate," she said, "and it will be unlikely to find a complete lack of incidents."

Houchins' personal goal is "to make every office on campus acutely aware of diversity, so that those offices, whenever they embark on a project, will ask themselves, 'how does this impact diversity?'"

Hansen, too, said that climate cannot be quantified, but that the project's goal is to double the percentage of enrolled ALANA (African-American, Latino, Asian-American, Native American) students by 2012, and to have equal retention across groups. "I believe that

when the critical mass changes, that will help the climate to change," she said.

Another goal is to increase diversity within the faculty. Houchins and Dean of Faculty Jill Reich have met with chairs of academic departments to encourage advertisement to a diverse population. One reason is that "the number of students applying and retained is connected to the population of faculty and staff," said Houchins.

A more immediate plan is the development of a "diversity of curriculum," she said. "I want to see it [diversity] in the stuff we read, in the things we talk about in our classrooms. I'd like the faculty to be familiar with a larger canon."

Houchins called the Campus Climate Project "a self-study, to make us more acutely aware of the issues around diversity." Not everyone embraces the ideas, though others "are working assiduously," she said. Some don't believe that it's an important issue, or don't understand its importance. "Diversity must be on the mind of everyone," Houchins said. "That's hard to do for those who don't think they're part of the diverse."

Panel Unites LGBT and Straight Students

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Ricker said, "Coming out is a process of being vulnerable in front of people but having the strength of being vulnerable in a specific way." Referencing her summer working with only heterosexuals, Ricker had a choice: to come off as straight and only talk about past boyfriends or reveal her relationship with girls. Having to push herself to not talk about only the boyfriends made Ricker even less certain that her homosexuality wasn't "just a phase rather than a truth that is going to stay with me forever."

Ricker also voiced her anxiety of

coming out as a bi-sexual, saying, "I've started to realize that I'm never going to stop coming out, because whenever I'm in a straight space, I'm going to have to come out as a queer, but when I'm in a queer space, I'm going to have to come out as someone who's not entirely queer... so it's going to be a continuing process for me."

Wary of his presence as a heterosexual at a coming out panel, Corrigan admitted, "Straight men who really like vaginas and girls' butts and their whole body usually don't want to sit on the OUTFront panel... the reason I'm here is because I feel obligated because

there are so many straight men who don't have a problem with gays...and [it is important that] interacting and being a straight person and saying 'these are my gay friends' [turns into] saying 'oh wait, these aren't my gay friends, they're my friends.'"

Sharing his story of growing up in an extremely tolerating family as well as often being mistaken for a homosexual, Corrigan explained, "straight people don't have to be homophobic... beyond that, it's about completely eliminating the concept from your mind."

Alliance for Men to Address Stereotypes

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The Bates Men's Alliance held its first official meeting Monday, Oct. 16 at the Multi-Cultural house. The BMA, led by Anthony Begon '08, Amadi Cisse '07, Claudeny Obas '08, Eric Obeng '07, Dave Philbrook '08 and Ross Van Horn '08 met to discuss plans for its first year as an active club on campus.

According to the BMA constitution, the organization intends to "bring together men on the Bates campus that possess different backgrounds and ideas to address issues that affect the male population on campus without fear of reprisal" as well as to "be an influential voice on campus."

"What we are, in one phrase, is a social alliance for men on campus with several functions, one of them being addressing certain types of stereotypes that different men from the student body face, whether racial stereotypes or athletic stereotypes, and we talk about issues pertaining to men," said Van Horn. "Whatever people want to bring to the table."

Obas added that the BMA also plans to "serve as a support group for men of color, as a place they can turn to address certain issues they have."

Obas first got his idea to form a

campus organization called "Men of Color" after talking to Begon and Van Horn about his concern regarding the hate-crime incidents in Pettingill last winter.

"The group was intended not just as a response to the crimes of last year but as a solution to [prevent] these things before they happen," said Cisse.

The organization was later renamed the Bates Men's Alliance to reflect its interest not only in racial issues but also socio-economic, athletic, gender-related and religious issues affecting Bates men.

"There was not an organization like this on campus," added Van Horn.

The BMA plans to hold some form of a "kick-off" event in the near future to introduce the group, and it also hopes to bring several speakers to campus, possibly including the former Mayor of Lewiston, John Jenkins '74 and Stephen Wessler, of the Center for the Prevention of Hate Violence. The group also plans to work in the community by holding open discussions in Lewiston schools about issues currently affecting students.

"The club has so much potential and so much leeway for us to work with," said Philbrook.

"It's about being equals. We are all equals here," said Begon.

BCSG Reinstates Free Skiing and Sun Journal

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After several weeks of debate, the Bates College Student Government has reached resolutions on multiple issues, including free ski passes, local newspapers in Commons, and the availability of communal computers in residence halls.

First, the BCSG passed a bill allowing all Bates students to ski at Lost Valley in Auburn for free, provided that they display their college ID. This mountain, unlike

others such as Sugarloaf or Sunday River, is able because of its close proximity to Bates.

Also, the Lewiston Sun Journal will now be available daily in Commons for anyone seeking local news. This publication is increasingly in demand because of the elections taking place in Maine that will not be covered in the Boston Globe or New York Times.

Although only 15 copies will be purchased daily, the BCSG will monitor the demand for the papers and increase or

decrease supply as needed.

Finally, a resolution to urge the Faculty-Administrative Staff-Student Committee on Information and Library Services to consider placing computers in select residence halls was rejected. Although it was a very close vote, the arguments against having communal computers were stronger, taking into consideration theft, dorm damage and noise levels. Further discussions on making Pettengill open 24 hours a day will take place on a later date.

Thesis Talk: Translating Paine

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When Nathan Libby, '07 first heard of Thomas Paine's mysterious document "La Siècle de Reason, ou Le Sens Commune des Droits d'Homme (The Age of Reason, or the Common Sense of the Rights of Man)," he saw a potential thesis topic. John Cole, Libby's adviser and history professor, ignited Libby's interest in the text.

Cole first introduced Libby to Paine in his seminar "First Conservative, Worst Radical." At one of their later meetings, Cole placed an orrery, a sun-earth-moon model, on his desk and said, "This is Paine's religion." Then he turned toward the window, raised his arms and said again, "This is Paine's religion," referring to Paine's belief that the only evidence of God is our own environment. After class, Libby left for the library and checked out Paine's treatise on religion: "Age of Reason."

"I read it in a day and a half. I had never read a book in which thoughts that had been in my head for so long were spelled out on a page so clearly," said Libby. "I talked to Cole about writing my thesis on this, and I asked him why this French first edition was so mysterious. We found out that it had not been translated into English."

Adding to this document's intrigue is the fact that there are very few surviving copies. Over the summer Cole was able to obtain a rare copy of the first edition from the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia.

"I owe a great deal of credit to John Cole for finding this original copy. I think he is as excited about this project as I am," Libby added.

His thesis will attempt to find what the unsigned first edition of Paine's text reveals about his attitudes at the time of its publication and how Paine's theory on natural religion developed during his time in France.



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Nate Libby '07 holds a copy of the first edition of Thomas Paine's "Age of Reason," which he will translate into English for the first time.

"This semester I am going to translate this version in order to see what changes Paine made to 'Age of Reason' while observing the Atheist movement in France, and to clear up the question of whether he really did mean to curb Dechristianization, or whether this document could have provided this movement with its manifesto," said Libby.

Paine published his first edition anonymously in 1793, because at that point in the French Revolution, the country was experiencing great social and political unrest, and it would have been far too dangerous for Paine to reveal himself as the writer of such a radical document. The country was in a period known as the Dechristianization, during which French mobs were attacking established religion, and

more specifically, the Catholic Church.

Paine, a deist, wrote "Age of Reason" with the intention of curbing the atheism of Dechristianization. Strangely, the larger part of his work is a critique of the Bible and an attack on established religion, Catholicism in particular. Astoundingly, Paine wrote the entire text without access to a Bible.

Although Paine's ideas were radical, he was hardly the first to express them. Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and many other 18th century intellectuals were deists.

"It seems like every person, place, book, event—anything—has been written on a thousand times over. I have found something that is under-studied, and that will hopefully lead to publication down the road," Libby said.

Bates in NBC Admissions Panel

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Washington University the private, "up and coming" research university and UCLA the sizeable state school. While President Hansen did not know how Bates was chosen from the large pool of liberal arts colleges, the College has been in the media lately for its progressive SAT policy.

"Our 20-year study of the optional-SAT policy has attracted national attention at a time when more and more schools are adopting such a policy and the SAT is coming under attack," Hansen said in a written statement to The Student. Hansen also mentioned that "We may be on [NBC's] radar screen because Brian Williams' father, Gordon, is an alumnus, and we gave Brian an honorary degree a couple of years ago." Yet, after ABC featured Bates in a broadcast story titled "Beginning of the end of the SAT?" two weeks ago, multiple networks have included Bates in college admissions features.

While Bates was the only college to send its president to the discussion panel, this once again reflects the nature of a small college. "At the three larger places, undergraduates are just a small part of the whole, and presidents wouldn't necessarily know very much about undergrad admissions," Hansen said. "At Bates, things are much simpler and organizationally 'flatter' since we focus only on undergraduates, and the president oversees admissions and everything else much more directly and speaks for the institution more directly."

The "Getting into College Today" series started last Monday, Oct. 16 and ended Friday. The first segment shadowed three high school students currently going through the admissions process; the second featured a private admissions counselor; the third a financial aid counselor and the last the discussion panel from the four colleges.

Risque Business: Junior Writes for Progressive Sex Mag

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It was not until his freshman year at Boston University that Kyle Madden '08 truly became "open to the fun side of sex" when he became a columnist and photographer for Boink Magazine, a Boston-based, college student-run sex magazine.

Boink Magazine is a quarterly publication that deals with "relevant topics for young people" and attempts to "create a light-hearted and fun forum" for addressing sexual issues.

At first glance, Boink resembles many other pornographic publications, but after browsing through the arousing, yet subtle, photo shoots, and reading the informative and clever articles, it is clear that Boink is more than a trashy porn magazine.

The most apparent distinction is that Boink does not discriminate between genders or sexual preferences, but rather attempts to provide a bit of everything, regardless of whether it's a sexy stud or a seductive lady. Boink's articles maintain the same sense of diversity, ranging from informational pieces regarding the most dangerous STI's to the many pleasures of mutual masturbation.

The assortment of sexual material between the covers of Boink reflects the magazine's main objective: to remove the stigma centered around pornography and sex. Madden said, "your own sexuality is one of the most empowering things in your life ... those who explore it are happier people." By including different types of material pre-

sented through a variety of mediums, Boink is able to "make people confront different aspects of sexuality." Eventually with the goal of making people "become more comfortable with their own sexuality."

Boink challenges its readers with questions such as why fetishes be frowned upon since they are simply healthy expressions of sexual desire. The editorial staff tries to create an environment in which it is nearly impossible to avoid breaking down one's sexual barriers. Using more than articles to stimulate discussion, Boink employs subtle tactics. These methods include juxtaposing photographs of purple-tinted pubic hair and classic dorm room make out sessions on alternating pages. The effect is that readers are forced to see and confront all aspects of sexuality.

At his first meeting with Boink Magazine, Madden felt "pretty green," referring to his limited experience with photography. He had done well in high school photography courses, but it was just a hobby with no professional experience. His journalism experience was equally limited: one article written for his high school newspaper, which was the result of a bribe from the editor who was a close friend.

For the first issue of Boink, Madden assisted one of the head photographers, which provided him with the opportunity to publish some of his own photos

as well. In subsequent issues, he took on more work and more responsibility.

Currently, Madden is one of the few remaining staff members who has been there since the beginning. He publishes articles and takes photos for the magazine consistently.

"The Dorm Room Guide To Masturbation" is among Madden's most recent work for Boink. The guide is an extremely relevant article for college students, who are surprised by the level of stealth needed to find a solitary moment.

Most of his articles are comedic, focusing on satire, while his photographs vary widely. He has photographed everything from Adam Kruegar's provocative surrealist paintings to sexual poses of nude classmates doing a striptease for a teddy bear.

Although he is only paid five cents a word for his articles, Madden sees the magazine as an investment. Boink draws significant support from individual sponsors, and most of the sales revenues are put back into the magazine. Boink appeared on Playboy TV, sells over 20,000 copies nationwide, can be found at Tower Records and Virgin Megastore and recently signed a book deal with Warner Books.

"It has been a lot of work to get this publication off of the ground," said Madden, who "(devotes) a portion of the majority of weekends to attend staff meetings in Boston."

Madden attempts to communicate that "there is no distinct line separating pornography and art" through his photos. His subtle and seductive works he considers more artistic, while he sees the elements of pornography in his blatant pieces. While he sees the difference in the pieces, the borders are continually blurred by differing perspectives, Madden explained. "What defines porn? When porn becomes art?"

"In 2004, [the Boink Magazine] was just a bunch of college kids with an idea." Now, it's a reality that is anything but a traditional porn magazine.

Madden says he will do everything he can to help Boink and influence the way young people across America view sex - except bare it all, which his mother adamantly forbade.

If you want a magazine that is "real, fun and relevant," flipping through the pages of Boink will prove to be a truly eye opening experience.

Pianist Glazer Celebrates 70th Anniversary of New York Debut

CONOR HURLEY
MANAGING ARTS EDITOR

Frank Glazer took the stage Friday much as he did 70 years ago at his New York City debut, which his recent performance commemorated. The concert, which was 70 years to the day after his first public concert, was "the same show note for note as 1936," Glazer said.

The concert filled the hall with over 300 people, though coming short of the 1,000 plus Glazer drew in the original. "It's still difficult," he said of the nearly two and a half hour concert. To help make the massive show more manageable, Glazer played from sheet music instead of attempting to perform from memory as he did in the debut.

After the 1936 show, Glazer didn't even consider the possibility of performing the same show 70 years in the future. "I didn't think I'd live this long," he said. Since his 1936 debut, Glazer has performed around the world, including over 20 European tours.

This was the first time since Oct. 20, 1936 that Glazer played the entire program continuously. "There was no 50th anniversary or 60th anniversary. But it's not every year you can do a 70th anniversary," he said. The concert was comprised of four segments each a selection of music by J.S. Bach, Brahms, Schubert or Chopin.

Bach's pieces, which started the concert, were the most challenging for Glazer because he'd "[hadn't] played it in decades." Despite its difficulty, the Bach portion was Norbert Gruenhage's favorite segment of the concert, which he said "was great, just fantastic."

For Leigh Campbell, Associate Director of Student Financial Services, Glazer's performance was aweing in its complexity and length. "For a man his age to do those pieces, it's remarkable," he said.

Few students attended the concert, which was held during break, but the concert, which was publicized extensively in newspapers throughout the state, drew people unaffiliated with the College. Glazer, who is the most re-

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How to Avoid Terrifying Halloween Fashion This Season

CLAIRE JAKIMETZ
FASHION COLUMNIST

What did Darth Vader say to the slutty Disney Princess grinding with the massively oversized chicken? "I've got the magic stick," of course. And being so convinced by the chillingly endearing metallic rasp of his voice (and the length of his glowing red light saber), she ditched the massive slab of poultry to join Darth on the darker side of the dance floor.

Get ready for Halloween, our fine collegiate version of the childish tradition. Perhaps memories of glowing plastic pumpkin buckets and amassing treats elicits regretful nostalgia. As mature young adults, we may enjoy the spirit of this liberating holiday while perverting its innocence with unique traditions of our own such as guzzling cider before heading to Gray Cage, soliciting something other than candy.

So, prepare to flaunt, chug, stagger, reggae and pasout like the scantily attired Sleeping Beauty you are.

There are considerations to keep in mind. Outdoors in autumn is briskly chilly, but inside amongst the mead, body sweat and musical vibrations, is hotter than hell. Be prepared for unpredictable temperature swings more extreme than Mars.

The first rule of halloween is: for every 15 seconds it takes to explain your costume sober, it will take five minutes drunk. So ensure that the costume is conceivably creative and meriting simple identification. The lazily disposed, lackluster choice is contrary to the imaginative spirit of the celebration. Forget winning any best costume prizes and prepare yourself to receive the quizizzal "let me guess, another measurelessly inebriated Batesie?" No fun.

There were a few hunky greasy-haired gentlemen last year, presumed to be the ever popular Europop sex icon, Günther. One was rumored to have been lovingly trampled by crazed fans fighting over his prized sweat

band. Be careful out there, your costume may induce a rather strong, potentially dangerous response.

Functionality may be a thought, go as an EMT. You'll undoubtedly feel authentic before the night is out. Oversized objects has advantages, hefty bag of lumpy jelly bellies, for example, is a very comfortable, protectively insulating and saber-resistant choice.

For the budget conscious student, ask around for contributions and go as a stereotypical jock, hippy, or bare it all and go as a nudist. You can always cut a few breathing holes in your bed sheet and go as a traditional ghost, who knows, the sheet may come in handy later in the evening. If you're truly entrepreneurial, go as a giant UNICEF box and you'll make a profit.

When searching for a costume in Lewiston, you need to tailor your plans to the place you're shopping. If you're looking at Goodwill or the Salvation Army, remember that these are clothes that people bought and wore, so trying to find the accoutrements of a goldfish costume will be difficult. Most of the items you can find there are out-dated, so look here if you're planning to be a person from the 80's or has a very unstylish image.

These thrift stores are well-suited for costumes such as Kim Jong Il, which is easily accomplished with a khaki jumpsuit, oversized glasses, hair sticking straight up.

Avoid Walmart, most of the costumes they have are standard, boring and unimaginative. And, if you happen to find something that really works perfectly, everyone else will see the same thing. Consider the Miami Vice t-shirt Walmart had on sale during the 80's dance and the subsequent mass of people at the 80's attired in a \$10 Walmart purchase made 30 minutes prior to the dance. If you do have to resort to Walmart, add something unique to your costume. For instance, if you're stuck with a rabbit suit, grab a box of Trix and be the rabbit who finally gets some.

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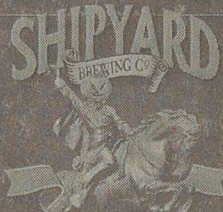
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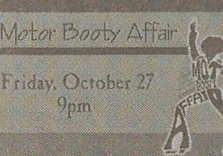
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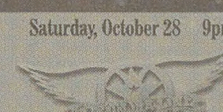
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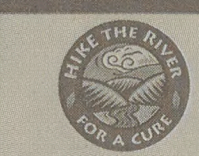
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"Fashionable" students revel at last year's Halloween Dance.

Love Thy Neighbor: K-Os Represents North of the Border

BERNIE HERLYN
MUSIC COLUMNIST

Canada has never gotten much respect from its colossal southern neighbor. Often ridiculed for myriad reasons, their pop culture has largely been ignored by the United States, which, instead, favors its own brand of entertainment. This is of course, understandable, but also means that, Celine Dion notwithstanding, Americans are missing out on some quality material. "Trailer Park Boys" is arguably one of the funniest shows on the planet, and actors such as Jim Carrey and Mike Myers also hail from the north. Lest we forget the music, Canadian's hip-hop scene is thriving by way of artists like Swollen Members, DL Incognito and, most famously, K-Os. With numerous Canadian music awards under his belt, the MC/singer has thus far failed to make a big splash in the U.S., a travesty to say the least.

In his third album, "Atlantis: Hymns for Disco," K-Os follows a similar format to his previous work, which is not necessarily a bad thing. K-Os is no run-of-the-mill rapper. He is as accomplished with rapping as he is singing, and on most tracks he uses his versatility to the fullest extent. The opening track "Elektrik Heat - The Seekwill" starts the album off with a Boom Bap drum beat, lightning-fast scratches and a quick-tongued flow complete with references to Public Enemy and other old-school artists. Next, in "The Rain," on top of violins and pianos, K-Os channels soul singers like Sam Cooke and Wilson Pickett with true aplomb. If K-Os were to release a strictly Soul/R&B album, he would easily give John Legend (whose new album "Once Again" comes out today) a run for his money.

By "Sunday Morning," the radio single, it is hard not to be sold by the album—and we are not even halfway through. For all the funky attitude on "Atlantis," "Sunday Morning" has troubling lyrics like "Seems like I'm trapped in the world where the servants they serve time." That is the thing with K-Os. You never know what he will challenge you with next, which makes him such a joy to listen to. On "Born to Run," his band touches on flamenco, reggae, electronica and even new wave (think Franz Ferdinand) while making it sound completely seamless. In these moments, K-Os is reminiscent of Beck, who is known to cram several different genres of music in a span of minutes.

For the last third of the album, K-Os never falters. "Black Ice - Hymn 4 Disco" has drums lifted straight from Steve Miller Band's "Swingtown" and K-Os rapping in his best British accent. Funky stuff. "AquaCityBoy" finds K-Os representing his homeland, including his native city of Toronto. On the soulful ballad "Highway 7," he laments being lost in a world where few seem to truly appreciate life. The closing track "Ballad of Noah" is one of the only songs on the album that produces mixed results, as a few lackluster guest rappers interrupt the fluidity.

Despite the hiccup at the end, "Atlantis: Hymns for Disco" is still one of the best albums of the year. Musically you will not find anything more fresh, and K-Os' vocals never cease to impress whether he is rapping or singing. "Atlantis" will have something even for those averse to hip-hop, as reggae, soul, R&B and acoustic ballads keep things eclectic yet consistent. On "Sunday Morning" he declares: "All I know is music/ All, all I've ever known" and for that we should be grateful. With many recent high-profile releases from Pharrell and The Killers falling flat, "Atlantis: Hymns for Disco" is a true gift. Unfortunately, it is only available now as a Canadian import (it has a US release date in February, 2007), so whether you get it now or wait until February, just get it. You won't be disappointed, and you'll be better off for it. Thanks, K-Os.

Glazer Displays Talent at 70th Anniversary Concert

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owned pianist in Maine, has a strong following who attend most of his public recitals.

As an artist-in-residence at Bates, Glazer performs frequently on campus, though not typically in events of this magnitude. He is often featured in the noon-day concert each Tuesday.

Glazer doesn't plan to perform this program again, even if there's an opportunity for an 80th anniversary. He said he may consider anniversary commemorations of other performances, such as his Carnegie Hall recital nearly 60 years ago.

Pixar's Eye Candy "Cars" Comes to Olin for Halloween

LOUIS DENNIG
ARTS LAYOUT EDITOR

Just when you thought a movie couldn't possibly be more visually appealing than "Finding Nemo," Pixar delivered its latest beauty of a movie "Cars," which is cruising into Olin this Halloween weekend. It shouldn't be a surprise anymore when each of Pixar's stellar animated films is even more detailed and beautiful than the last, but after the underwater effects from Nemo left audiences eyes agape, it didn't seem like a movie about automobiles could possibly be as visually impressive. The mountains and open deserts that flank America's Route 66 are the true stars of this film, and while the story sometimes sags, the characters are heartwarming, funny and engaging (even though they're animated cars), the scenery is beautiful and Pixar hits home another didactic message for children and adults alike: sometimes enjoying the longer road is more important than getting to your destination.

One minute into the film, it's clear the geniuses at Pixar are at the helm of this film. As the opening race gets underway, the camera pans between RV trailers tailgating with friends, cars watching from the stands of the raceway with gas guzzler hats on and buses topped with confederate flags watching the race. As the story brings us to the slow life of a rundown town on Route 66, the movie finds its heart, which is sure to leave an impression on audiences.

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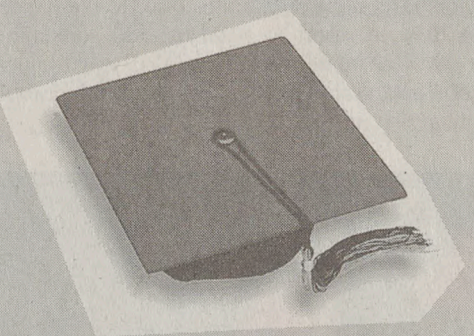
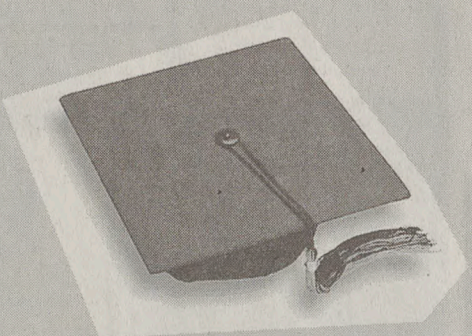
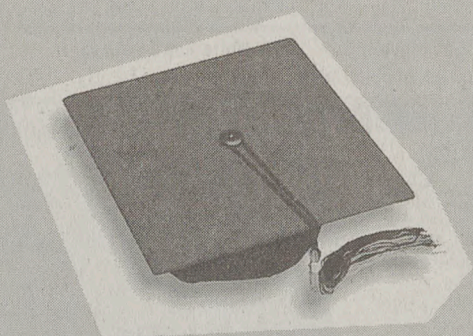


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FOOTBALL

Weekend Preview | By Tommy Imboden

When the Bobcats Run



Bates has struggled running the ball this year, unable to consistently pound the ball and keep its defense on the sidelines. Though the tandem of halfback

Jamie Walker '07 and Adam Poplaski '07 lead the team in scoring, they have had trouble finding and creating running lanes against opposing defenses. Colby has struggled to stop the run this year, but it was against the best teams in the NESCAC: Trinity, Middlebury and Amherst. However, this past week against Middlebury, Walker and the run game showed life as he sprung for 71 yards.

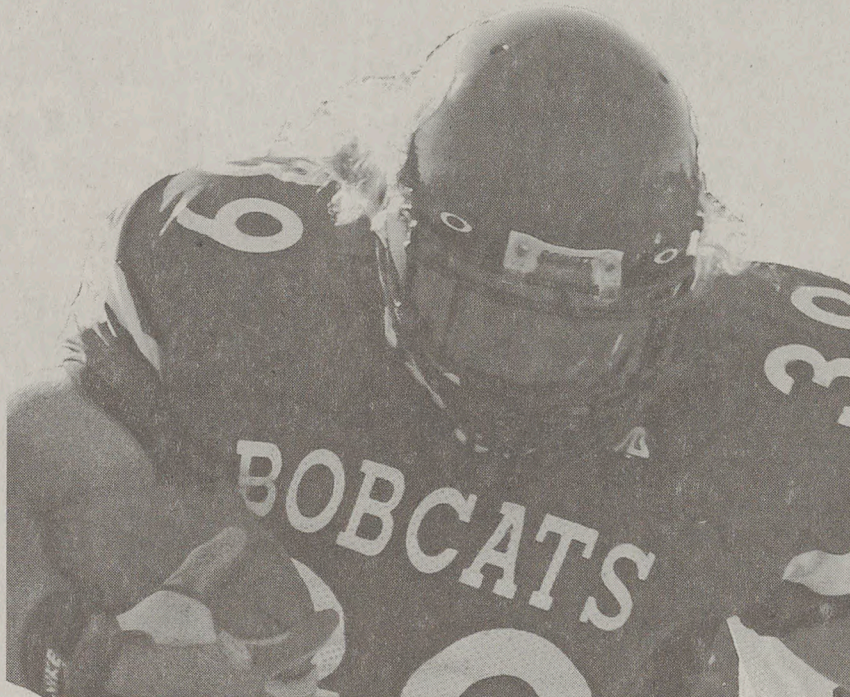
When the Bobcats Throw



The passing game has been one of the major disappointments this season for the Bobcats. Returning All-NESCAC receiver Dylan MacNa-

mara looked to better his numbers from last season, and quarterback Brandon Colon '08 looked to take advantage of his third year as starter. For whatever reason, the passing game has not clicked as expected, and it has hindered the offense's ability to score. Colby's pass defense has been inconsistent; it was ravaged by Wesleyan and Amherst, but did well against Trinity and Middlebury. MacNamara is coming off of his best game of the year and Colon is due break out.

Bates Bobcats vs. Colby Mules



BILL MORTIMER/THE BATES STUDENT

Player to Watch: Jamie Walker '07

Coming into the 2006 season, the Bobcats had high hopes of snapping a string of three consecutive two-win seasons by posting their first winning season since 1981. The team returned its top passer, rusher and receiver, and plenty of players from an athletic and experienced defense. Unfortunately, the preseason enthusiasm was quickly brushed aside as the team faced the reality of five straight losses and a sputtering offense unable to support the efforts of a solid defense.

Colby is fielding its most beatable team in four years. Before breaking out our "Colby Sucks" t-shirts, let's take a Boston Globe-style look at this rivalry match-up.

BOBCATS' KEYS TO VICTORY

- 1. Hold on to the football**—While the offense obviously needs to limit its turnovers, it is almost more imperative for it to control the ball. Too often this season, the offense has gone three-and-out and had short possessions, giving the defense little time to rest. The fatigue has worn on the defense's effectiveness, and it has struggled in the second half of many games this year. Ball control and winning time of possession is vital for victory.
- 2. Win the battle at the line of scrimmage**—The Bobcats strength all year has been its defensive line; now it needs the offensive line to step up its play. The running game has struggled to be consistent, and it will be imperative to expose Colby's weak interior defense.
- 3. Score some points**—Most never thought it would go out of style, but Bobcat fans can certainly agree on one thing: bring back the touchdown.

Men's X-C Performs at Maine State Championships

Team Takes Second and Monsulick Continues Dominance, Placing First Overall

SAM EVANS-BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The men's cross-country team had another impressive performance at the Maine State Championships. Out of 10 Maine colleges in attendance, Bates' men took second and were defeated by only Bowdoin, who hosted the race.

Steve Monsulick '07 took first place after a drawn-out battle with Colby runner Daniel Vassallo '07. The two traded the lead back and forth several times over the eight-kilometer course, maintaining a 15 second advantage on the chasing pack. The pair stayed neck and neck until the final straightaway, where Monsulick began his sprint and opened a nine second gap over the Colby runner. Monsulick's finishing time was 25:33.08.

Other scoring Bobcats were Matt Dunlap '08 (10th, 26:18), Dylan McGuffin '10 (12th, 26:26), Harrison Little '08 (18th, 26:49), Douglas Brecher '10 (19th, 26:49) and Christopher Murray '09 (26th, 27:18). The men's overall score was 56, edging Colby by three points, but falling behind Bowdoin by 23.

Saturday marked the second race in a row in which Bates finished second to Bowdoin. Fereshetian noted that he had hoped to cut into the margin that Bowdoin had over the Bobcats, but was pleased that the men "maintained the gap."

Next week, the team will have another chance at the Polar Bears at the NESCAC championships at Conn. College.

Fereshetian noted that "The competition will be very fierce for the top three spots," said Fereshetian. "If either [Bowdoin or Williams] make any errors at all, any one of us could step up and compete."

Runners Defeat Bowdoin for First Time in Four Years

ANDY PERCY
STAFF WRITER

On Oct. 14 women's cross-country competed in the State of Maine Championships. While the Bobcats were unable to defeat rival Colby College (ranked 12th in the country), the Bobcats did beat Bowdoin for the first time in four years.

Led by co-captain Kathryn Moore's '07 third place performance, which earned her an All-State title, the Bobcats finished in second place in the nine-team meet.

Colby ran away with a remarkable 21 points (15 points is the best possible score) and was followed by Bates with 53 and Bowdoin with 59. Colby always boasts a strong female group of outdoor runners. Things were no different in this race as five Colby runners placed in the top seven.

Trailing far behind was the University of New England with 136 points and the University of Southern Maine with 162 points.

Moore ran 18:28 over the five-kilometer course, averaging 5:56 per mile,



COURTESY OF TOM LEONARD

Molly Balentine '08 passes a Colby runner at the Maine Championships.

her fastest race to date. If Bates was racing any other team, Aviva Goldstein '08 would have finished in the top seven and had a repeat All-State performance. However, she was edged out by Colby's

fifth runner and finished eighth, with a time of 19:18—still a very strong performance.

Esther Kendall '10 has had a phenomenal season, especially considering that she never ran cross country before this year. Kendall was Bates' third finisher across the line in 13th place with a time of 19:40.

Following Kendall was a close group of Bates runners. Emily Williams '07 has really stepped up this year and finished in 14th place in 19:42. Right behind was Jen Caban '07, who has also stepped up after returning back to Bates from a semester abroad in Chile, finishing in 15th place in 19:45. Caban beat Bowdoin's fourth runner by one-tenth of a second, which was largely instrumental in Bates' win over the Polar Bears.

Bates will travel to Connecticut College this weekend for the NESCAC Championships.

Bates has finished ninth out of the 11 teams for the past two years, but is currently ranked 10th in the most recent New England Division III women's cross country coaches poll, making them the sixth ranked team in the NESCAC.

Bates Dominates NHCs, Betters Past Results at Head of the Charles

RACHEL KURZIUS
STAFF WRITER

Bates rowing head coach Eliot Pitney says that "the New Hampshire Championships (NHCs) were a great start to our fall rowing season." Looking at the stats, it's difficult to disagree. The Bates team entered seven boats to row in four races on the Merrimack River and ended up making it into the top-three with four of these boats.

The Bates varsity men, who entered two eights in the 27-crew Open Men's Event, won sixth and 19th place; the sixth place Bates crew was the fastest varsity boat in the NESCAC at the NHCs, beating rivals Colby, Bowdoin and Tufts with the time of 15:23 for the three-mile course.

Varsity women crew garnered third and 12th place in their Open Women's Event, which had them competing with 20 other eights. The third place Bates boat, with a time of 16:26, fell only four seconds short of the winning time, which both Vermont and Holy Cross achieved. Once again, though, the Bates third-place

eight topped all other NESCAC competition.

The next regatta, the Head of the Charles, took place in Boston on Oct. 21 and 22, and the crew team had the opportunity to practice on the race course over the long weekend.

"This is a tremendous advantage as the race course is very difficult for our coxswains to manage, and the more time we can spend on the course the better off we will be...The NHCs should give us some positive momentum headed into our last few weeks of racing," said Coach Pitney.

One of the most important races of the season, the Head of the Charles boasts one of the largest pools of competition, drawing in crews from all over the world.

This year, both varsity men and women improved their results from last year's Head of the Charles. The men came in 15th out of sixty-one crews, beating their 20th place finish in 2005. Women won 13th place, beating out 45 other boats and greatly improving upon their 2005 30th place final.

Field Hockey Team Wins Against Rhodes, Drops Four

Against NESCAC Rivals

JESSIE SAWYER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Over the past two weeks, the field hockey team earned a win against Rhodes and suffered losses in conference battles against Bowdoin, Wesleyan, Trinity and Middlebury.

On Oct. 11, the Bobcats fell to Bowdoin, a perennial field hockey powerhouse, by a score of 1-0. Bates' leading scorer Lindsey Ferguson '08 netted the game's first goal, giving the Bobcats the lead 10 minutes into the game and marking the first time since 1999 that the Bobcats had scored a goal against Bowdoin. Megan Petry '07 assisted Ferguson's goal on a drop pass.

Unfortunately Polar Bear Lindsay McNamara '09 retaliated 10 minutes later with a slap-shot to erase her team's one goal deficit and tie the score. Hillary Hoffman '08 scored Bowdoin's eventual game winner with 5:38 left in the first half. Bowdoin out-shot Bates 12-3 and had an 11-1 edge on penalty corners. Sarah Sprague '07 made nine saves for the Bobcats, while Kate Leonard '07 made three saves for the Polar Bears.

The Bobcats played another close game on Oct. 14, losing to the Wesleyan Cardinals 2-3. The game was a see-saw match, score-wise. Petry scored off of a pass from Abby Childs '09 to give Bates the 1-0 lead at halftime.

In the second half, Wesleyan's Adrienne Shea '08 tied the score 1-1. Cardinal captain Courtney Tetrault '07 scored again to put Wesleyan ahead 2-1. With 14:39 remaining, Bates's Erin Chandler '09 scored off of a captain Liz Greenwood '07 assist to tie the score, 2-2. Unfortunately Shea scored again with 9:45 remaining in the game, granting the Cardinals with the victory. Sprague made 10 saves for the Bobcats and goalkeeper Caitlin Kelley '07 made seven saves for the Cardinals.

Bates rebounded from its back-to-back NESCAC losses with a 1-0 win over Rhodes. The Bobcats worked hard for the entirety of the game, playing tight defense in the offensive end, successfully keeping the ball in its court for the majority of the game. Bates out-shot Rhodes 23-4.

"We were happy as a team because we were due for a win. We've had some close and difficult losses recently, so this was a nice way to end the weekend and get ready for a big week against Trinity and Middlebury," said Greenwood.

On Oct. 18, Bates lost to fourth ranked Trinity 3-0. Trinity put early pressure on the Bobcats, scoring at the 26:24 mark. The Bantams scored again with 3:22 remaining in the half. Trinity's Erin Daly '07 scored the team's final goal with seconds left in regulation. Sprague made seven saves and Trinity's Jillian Fraker '10 saved four, earning the shutout.

On Oct. 21, Middlebury earned its fourth straight shutout of the season, defeating Bates 3-0. Like Bowdoin, Middlebury is a top contender in the NESCAC. Bates has never won against Middlebury.

Middlebury's leading scorer, Dana Rye '07, accounted for all the game's offense, scoring the hat-trick. Sprague had four saves for Bates and Panther captain Meghan McGillen '07 had six saves for Middlebury.

Bates, ranked ninth in the NESCAC, holds a 1-7 conference record and a 5-7 overall record. The team's next game is home against Colby at 11 a.m. on Oct. 28.

Women's Soccer Shuts Out USM and Wesleyan, Falls to Middlebury

JESSIE SAWYER
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

This weekend, the Middlebury Panthers ended Bates' four-game winning streak, handily beating the Bobcats by a score of 5-0. Ranked third in the NESCAC, Middlebury entered the contest with an overall record of 7-2-1 (5-2-1 in conference), having allowed a stingy six goals on the season.

Middlebury struck first, securing a 3-0 lead at the half. The winning goal occurred at the 21:09 mark, as Erin Oliver scored from 10 feet out. Middlebury scored two more goals in the second half on shots from captain Caitrin Abshire '07 and Ashley Pfaff '09.

The 5-0 shutout victory secured Middlebury a first round home game in the upcoming NESCAC tournament. Middlebury goalkeeper Adele Plunkett '09 earned her fifth shutout of the season. Mia Lidofsky '09 and Nini Spalding '08 joined forces to make 14 saves.

"We were never in control," said Coach Murphy. "Middlebury beat us in every phase of the game, and we

were totally outclassed. It was very disappointing in that we weren't even competitive with Middlebury. It was a big game for both teams, and we played poorly. Hopefully, we can regroup and get ready for Colby on Saturday."

Earlier in the week Bates tallied a pair of 1-0 shut outs over the USM Huskies and the Wesleyan Cardinals. Captain Becky Macdonald '07 and Ali Emery '08 provided the offense for the Bobcats, scoring goals against USM and Wesleyan, respectively.

Bates now holds a 9-4 season record and a 4-4 conference record, standing at sixth in the NESCAC rankings above Bowdoin, Connecticut College, Wesleyan and Trinity. The team will play its final home game of the regular season against Colby on Oct. 28 at 1:30 p.m. during its Homecoming Weekend.

On Oct. 28, Wesleyan and Middlebury will face Trinity and Bowdoin, respectively. Oct. 29 marks the beginning of the NESCAC tournament. Game times and teams playing are to be announced.

Football Falls to Middlebury despite Close First Half

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In their fifth game of the season, Bates football once again showed an inability to perform in the second half. After entering the half down 10-7, following thirty minutes of intense play, the Bobcats lost momentum. A half-opening interception thrown by Brandon Colon '07 led to the second touchdown pass of the game by Panther quarterback Tiger Lyon putting the Panthers up by 10. On its next possession, Middlebury added another score via the air. After Lyon's one-yard plunge with 11:50 left in the fourth quarter, Bates found itself down 31-7 with the game far out of reach.

"We just did not have it in the second half; we had none of the intensity we showed in the first [half] and the offense and defense shut down," said wide receiver Dylan MacNamara '07.

The loss obscured some of Bates' better individual performances of the season. MacNamara was in prime form, catching seven passes for 84 yards. In the first half the running game looked the strongest it has all season, as running back Jamie Walker '07 year picked up 71 yards and a touchdown.

Saturday was also a good day for the Ryans—Bates' Terence registered eight tackles (four for losses) and two sacks, while Middlebury's Kevin (no relation) upped his league-leading sack total to 10.5. Colon finished 13-31 for 127 yards with one interception, while Lyon, his counterpart, threw for 218 yards and accounted



MIKE BAYERSDORFER/THE MIDDLEBURY CAMPUS

Middlebury's offensive line creates a hole for their halfback in a 31-7 routing of the Bobcats. Bates fell to 0-5 with the loss.

for all Middlebury's touchdowns (3 pass, 1 rush).

The loss dropped Bates to a disheartening 0-5 on the season, while

Middlebury improved to 4-1. Archrival Colby comes to Garcelon Field this Saturday.

Despite the tough start, the Bob-

cats still have a chance to win the CBB title. While Colby boasts a superior overall record against the Bobcats, and has won the past three match-

ups in a row, this year's Colby squad has struggled and should give the Bobcats a good opportunity to earn their first win.

Men's Soccer Downs Highly Ranked Panthers

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The Saturday before October break, the Bobcats played Wesleyan to a 3-3 tie. Patrick Grater '08 scored the first goal of the game, dribbling past a defender and then finding the back of the net. The Cardinals came back with two goals of their own, giving them the lead at halftime.

Wesleyan scored again early in the second half. Duane Pelz '08 scored

unassisted in the 83rd minute. The equalizer came from senior co-captain George Carr with 10 seconds left in regulation. The Bobcats played the Cardinals through overtime, but neither team was able to score.

Wednesday, the Bobcats faced off against Plymouth State, falling by a score of 1-0 and ending Plymouth State's two-game losing streak. The goal was unassisted in the 77th minute of the second half, leaving little time to tie up the match.

The Bates men rebounded against a stacked Middlebury squad, earning a 1-0 win. Pelz scored the goal on a cross from Rob Friedlander '10 in the 66th minute. Both Bates and Middlebury had five shots on goal, but Bates goalie Rob Munro '08 out-saved Middlebury's keeper three to two.

The Bobcats play at home on Tuesday afternoon and against conference rival Colby on Saturday. The team boasts an overall season record of 6-5-1 (3-4-1 in NESCAC).

Volleyball Rebounds from 7-23 Record in 2005, Become Contender for Tournament in 2006

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Friday night is going to be one of the most exciting games of the 2006 Volleyball season. The Bobcats play Trinity, a team that is, statistically, virtually identical to Bates, in a game that will largely determine who advances to the NESCAC Championships the following weekend. As though that wasn't enough excitement, consider the fact that the Trinity coach, Jen Bowman, was the head coach at Bates for four years before leaving Lewiston for Hartford in 2003.

"It's going to be an emotionally charged game," said Jenn Linton '08.

The Trinity game will start the Bobcats off on the final week of what has ultimately been a fulfilling season. Bates lost five seniors from 2005 and their 2006 team boasts one senior and a myriad of freshman. Such statistics could easily deem 2006 a rebuilding year for the Bobcats.

"We're a pretty young team," said captain Katie Graeff '07, "but the girls on the team have pushed me to be a better player more so than any other team I've played on in the past. For that reason we're having a more successful season and we're having a ton of fun [in the process]."

"This is the best season we've had since I've been here," said Linton. "Part of the reason for that is because my freshman year was our coach's first year, so we were going through a shift of eras between the old team and the new team."

Statistically, one can see the improvement right away. The Bobcats' current season record stands at 12-16. At the same point in the season last year the record was 6-21.

At the start of the year, the team collectively decided that they did not want a repeat of last year's season.

"The first meeting we talked about controllables versus uncontrollables," said Linton. Controllables are things like maximizing energy and team communication on and off the court, while uncontrollables are aspects of a game that the team cannot control like an official making an incorrect call. "We acknowledge the uncontrollables and focus on letting them go, while only concentrating on the controllables and how we can best use them to our advantage."

Playing the role of captain and being the only senior can be difficult with a young team during supposed rebuilding

years. Yet, Graeff has embraced the role, helping her team to learn and improve.

"Katie is the only center we have on the team," said Linton, "so she comes into every game knowing that she's 'the one.' She has done an incredible job leading a really young team, and done an incredible job in not alienating herself from the team being the only captain and the only senior. She has made it very much a team leadership opportunity, asking other people for their opinions. Captains in the past have been separate from the team, and the fact that she's not like that has had a huge impact on the team dynamics."

Graeff played the final game of her collegiate career in Alumni Gym on Oct. 11 against Bowdoin. "The girls made it really special for me. I have rituals going into a home game, and knowing it was the last time I would play in Alumni, which is an incredible gym, was a bit sad. Overall, [however], it was a lot of fun and we had a wonderful turnout from the fans."

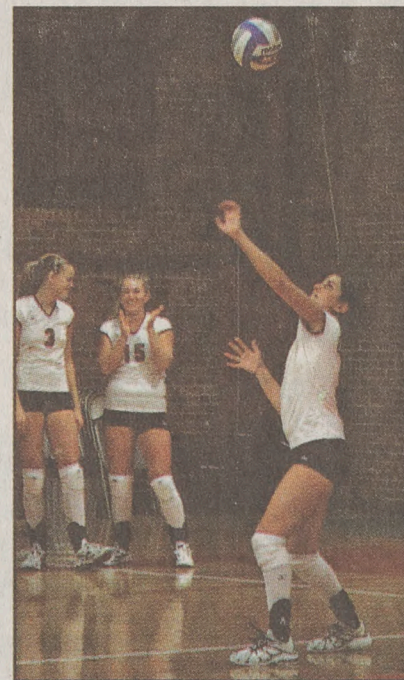
The challenge for the rest of the season will be to compete with the determination that the team has shown all season and to qualify for the NESCAC Championships. The first challenge will be to beat Trinity on Friday and then beat either Connecticut College or Wesleyan on Saturday.

"We want to make it into the tournament," said Linton. "Amherst is second in the conference and when we played them this season, one of the games was 21-18 [Amherst], and we were even a little ahead at one point, so we can definitely play with them. We'll see how we fare against the other teams after this weekend."

Saturday will be critical in deciding whether the season ends this weekend or on Nov. 3 at NESCACs.

"Every single time we play Trinity it's always a heartfelt match because there's a history with [Bowman], and I think that it will be another intense game," said Graeff. "We have about the same chances to make the NESCAC tournament as Trinity does. We were in the same place with them two years ago and we came out on top. I'm really looking forward to it."

The team has great momentum coming into this weekend's competitions. Last Wednesday the team beat Colby for the first time since the 2004 season, and they beat Mt. Holyoke this past Saturday, in the final game before Trinity. With strong leadership from Graeff, and a determined, albeit young team, the Bobcats should be confident when driving down to Connecticut.



RUSTY MILHOLLAND/THE BATES STUDENT

Bobcats practice serves before gametime.

BOC Wins Relay Division of Tufts Challenge

A Look at the Race through the Eyes of Team Captains, Mountain Challenge Competitors and Outing Club Leaders Reilly and Marten

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At 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14, the scene in the Crawford Notch Highlands Visitor Center parking lot was not one reeking of high-energy or even fun. It was about 20 degrees out, dark and the lot was filled with angry and cold New England college students in Patagonia puff jackets huddled around camp stoves and thermoses. The whole place stank of fun-hating. It did, that is, until the Bates Outing Club came to town.

The Bobcats came in hot, at an undisclosed speed described as "high," with the megaphone siren blaring and enough enthusiasm to give Richard Simmons a seizure. The silence of the early morning was pierced by the techno beats emanating from the speakers of the U-SAV stallion as its doors burst open and motley crew exploded out. Adorned in cut-off jean shorts, head bands and various other heinous neon garments, 20 Outing Clubbers piled out of the rented van. The racers from the other schools couldn't help but stare as the Bates team warmed up, employing the rather unorthodox dance party method.

The Bobcats were, of course, warming up for the first annual Tufts invitational, Presidential Range Relay Race. A grueling foot race over the entire Presidential Mountain Range, the course runs 21 miles over

nine peaks, and includes over 10,000 vertical feet in elevation gain.

The Bobcats fielded two teams in the P.R.R.R., one in each of the major divisions.

First on the trail were Nels "The Viking" Nelson '07, Jeremy "I Need a Haircut" Porter '10, Nate "The Alaskan" Eichelberger '07 and Stuart Ryan '09. This team, headed by Nelson competed in the "thru-hiking" division, where the team covered the entire course in one sweep. After a brutal day of hiking, the Bates thru-hiking crew finished in second place to the MIT team. There was some controversy involved, as the MIT team was accused by multiple parties of actually being cyborg legs built by MIT grad students. After some discussion, it was determined that such advanced technology wasn't actually explicitly banned in the competitions rules; a gross oversight on the part of the Tufts Mountain Club.

The second team, captained by Zand Martin '08, competed in the three leg relay-race, passing a baton at various peaks along the way. Bates' first leg of the relay boasted Demien "Stinky" Von Poelnitz '08, Kat Farmer '07 and Ben "2.0" Motley '10. The first leg passed the baton to Will "Landfill" Gardiner '09, I-Hwei "Bad Decisions" Warner '09, John "Jack" Murphy '09 and Jason Godsell '08. After summiting Mt. Washington and scampering across the ridge, team two tagged anchor team members Andrew "Mitch" Toplyn '08, Brodie O'Brien '09, Mac King '09, Ben Reilly '08 and Zand Martin '08 at the summit of Mt. Jefferson.

Zach Risler '08, Mary-Carson Saunders '08, Melanie Leard '10 and Clara Finley '10 played the role of medical and equipment

support team; a necessary addition as the event took place in one the most extreme alpine environments in the world, a climate made more deadly by the cotton-cut-offs, jorts and hot pants worn by Bates athletes.

The Bobcat relay entry finished nearly 40 minutes ahead of their closest competitors, effortlessly crushing Dartmouth, Tufts, Colby, MIT, Castleton, Plymouth and Green Mountain. The Bobcats promptly offered transfer applications to their opposing competitors.

Von Poelnitz, Farmer and Motley 2.0 successfully established the Bobcats on the field, getting up to elevation and then passing off the flag to Warner, Godsell, Gardiner and Murphy at the summit of Mt. Eisenhower. Leg two humped it over the ice-covered rock slides and past three opposing teams. Leg two met the anchor leg at the summit of Mt. Jefferson where the flag was passed and the lead was lengthened.

By the time Martin, Reilly, Toplyn, O'Brien and King reached the summit of Mt. Adams, their last peak, the enemy was no-where in sight. From there it was all downhill to the parking lot and the finish line.

After the race, the Tufts crew invited all the teams to their swank "Loj" for a dinner and post-race party. Originally underestimating the Bates crew, the Jumbos knew they had to bring their A-game, treating all the racers to quite a spectacle as they entered the dining hall. Though not normally known for their capacity to seduce, the Bobcats stole the hearts of their competition later in the evening, winning the party and completing the sweep.



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Von Poelnitz, Motley and Farmer on the summit of Eisenhower. Teams were required to take digital pictures at the summit of each peak.